

NOTES

The First Record of *Aituaria pontica* (Aranei, Nesticidae) in the Crimea [Первая находка *Aituaria pontica* (Aranei, Nesticidae) в Крыму]. — The Nesticidae is a relatively small family of cave and litter dwelling spiders of 224 species total (Platnick, 2014). In Japan, Nesticidae are the most diverse (48 species, 46 of them are endemic), as well as in Romania (19 species, all endemic); 8 species (6 endemic) are known from Caucasus region; two species were hitherto recorded and two additional species were described recently in Turkey; in Ukrainian mainland, one Carpathian endemic was found together with one European and one Holarctic species of Nesticidae (Evtushenko, 1993; Polchaninova, Prokopenko, 2014). By far, only one species of Nesticidae was recorded from the Crimea — *Carpathonesthicus borutzkyi* (Reimoser, 1930) (Nadolny, Kovblyuk, 2007). 2 males, 1 female, and 5 juv. of *Aituaria pontica* (Spassky, 1932) were found for the first time in the Crimea, Sevastopol, Khomutovaya gorge, Maksimova Dacha, in cave, 11.03.2014 (Turbanov leg.). *Aituaria pontica* is another species of spiders which has Crimean-Caucasian distribution range. — **A. A. Nadolny** (Public Institution “Ukrainian Anti-Plague Station of Ministry of Health of Ukraine”, Simferopol), **I. S. Turbanov** (The A. O. Kovalevsky Institute of Biology of the Southern Seas, Sevastopol).

The First Detection of *Ornithodoros verrucosus* (Acari, Ixodides) in Kyiv (Ukraine) [Находка *Ornithodoros verrucosus* (Acari, Ixodides) в г. Киеве (Украина)]. — For the first time a female and a nymph (stage III or IV) of argasid genus *Ornithodoros* Koch, 1844 (Argasidae) were found in Kyiv, Ukraine in the autumn of 2014. The argasid tick diagnosed as *O. verrucosus* Olenov, Zasukhin and Fenyuk, 1934 by following features: anomarginal groove extends behind the transverse postanal; cheeks separated from body; idiosoma elongated oval; peritreme shallow crescent; branches of postanal lateral grooves fall in anomarginal grooves closer to the middle of the body; female body length 10 mm. This argasid tick was previously detected in the southern regions of Ukraine and lower Dnieper area. — **I. V. Nebogatkin, A. A. Petrenko, V. Yu. Nazarenko** (Schmalhausen Institute of Zoology, NAS of Ukraine, Kyiv).

The First Record of *Neomolgus paracapillatus* (Acari, Acariformes) in the Caucasus [Первая находка *Neomolgus paracapillatus* (Acari, Acariformes) на Кавказе]. — The Bdellid mite, *Neomolgus paracapillatus* Michocka, 1987, is a rare species, known only from Poland (Michocka, 1987). The present record from Caucasus expands a range of this species. Material: 1 ♀, Bayil man-made pine forest (South-West Apsheron), under stones, 13.10.1995 (Aslanov leg.); 1 ♂, the same place, under stones, 15.10.1995 (Aslanov leg.); 1 ♂, same place, under stones, 15.10.2009 (Aslanov leg.); 1 ♀, the same place, under stones, 20.10.2009 (Aslanov leg.). — **O. Kh. Aslanov** (Institute of Zoology NAS of Azerbaijan, e-mail: snegovaya@yahoo.com).

***Eucyclops subterraneus* (Copepoda, Cyclopoidae): the New Species for Ukrainian Fauna [Еуциклопс підземний (Copepoda, Cyclopoidae) — новий вид для фауни України].** — *Eucyclops subterraneus* (Graeter, 1907) is known in Europe from France to Balkan countries (Graeter, 1910; Kiefer, 1967; Pesce, 1980; Pandouraki, 1984; Catalina, 2009 et al.) and also in Japan (Ito, 1962). This species is described in literature as stygobiont and was founded in caves, ground waters and wells (Pesce, 1979; Ito, 1962 et al.). For the first time on the territory of Ukraine this species was founded in the Ukrainian Carpathians in 3 localities: 1 — 2 females, 2 copepodit stages V (24.05.2014; springs well; 870 m a. s. l.; 48°46'50" N, 23°30'56" E; +11 °C; depth 0,04 m; Verhnya Rozhanka, Skole District of Lviv Region); 2 — 2 females, 2 copepodit stages III, IV (15.07.2014; spring and stream; 1761 m a. s. l.; 48°13'21" N, 24°13'58" E; +9 °C; depth 0,01 m; Blyznytysya mount, Rakhiv District of Zakarpattia Region); 3 — male (08.08.2014; spring; 554 m a. s. l.; N 49°03'45", E 24°34'32"; +7 °C; depth 0,03 m; Stuzhytsia, Velykyy Bereznyy District of Zakarpattia Region). V. I. Monchenko predicted the findings of this species on the territory of Ukraine in 1974 (Монченко, 1976. Фауна України; Т. 24, вип. 3, с. 106). Maybe the further research of this species in the Ukrainian Carpathians will confirm the necessity of including it into the Red Data Book of Ukraine. — **T. I. Mykitchak** (Institute of Ecology of the Carpathians NAS of Ukraine, Lviv).

The First Record of *Xylosandrus germanus* (Coleoptera, Curculionidae) in Ukraine [Первая находка *Xylosandrus germanus* (Coleoptera, Curculionidae) в Украине]. — For the first time outside its native range (Eastern Asia) the invasive ambrosia beetle *Xylosandrus germanus* (Blandford, 1894) was found in the USA (1932), later in Europe — in Germany (1951), Croatia (1966, 2010), France and Switzerland (1987), Belgium (1995), Austria and Italy (2000), south of European Russia (2001), Hungary (2005), Czech Republic and Spain (2007), The Netherlands (2008), Slovakia (2010) (EPPO Global Database. Last updated: 2014—05—12 // <https://gd.eppo.int>), was also recorded in Georgia (Knížek, M. Subfamily Scolytinae Latreille, 1804 // Catalogue of Palaearctic Coleoptera, Vol. 8. Curculionoidea II. — Leiden ; Boston : Brill, 2013. — P. 249–250). One female of this species was recently discovered in Ukraine (Transcarpathian Region, Uzhgorod District, Nevityzke env., on the wing, 19.05.2012, Gontarenko leg.). The specimen is deposited in the private collection of A. V. Gontarenko. — **V. Yu. Nazarenko** (Schmalhausen Institute of Zoology, NAS of Ukraine, Kyiv), **A. V. Gontarenko** (Odessa).

New Records of Rare Species of Tussock Moths — *Teia dubia* (Lepidoptera, Lymantriidae) in Ukraine [Новые находки редкого вида волнянок — кистехвоста сомнительного, *Teia dubia* (Lepidoptera, Lymantriidae), в Украине]. — Until present time this Mediterranean species was known in Ukraine only from halophytic complexes of the Crimea (predominantly from Syvash Lake coast) and from virgin steppe ecosystems of Dnipropetrovsk Region, where since 1970 it was recorded based on a single specimen (Holoborodko, Pliushch, 2011). New discoveries have been made on the coast of the Utiuk firth of Fedotova sand bar (Kyrylivka, Zaporizhzhia Region, 08.09.2012, Nikovskaya leg.) and within the territory of the National Nature Park “Meotida”, Kryva sand bar (Sedovo, Donetsk Region, 02.06.2013, Holoborodko leg.). In both cases the caterpillars were found in the halophytic ecosystems on familiar forage host plants. New discovery of *T. dubia* (Tauscher, 1806) in Dnipropetrovsk Region is of a great interest. Eleven caterpillars were found on *Kochia prostrata* (L.) Schrad. on 12.06.2013 in saltern-halophytic complex of Bulakhivskiy firth (Bulakhivka, Pavlograd District). Taking into account the location of Bulakhivskiy firth, one can predict that this discovery is the northernmost point of the current areal of this species. — **K. K. Holoborodko** (Oles Honchar Dnipropetrovsk National University), **I. G. Pliushch** (Schmalhausen Institute of Zoology, NAS of Ukraine, Kyiv).

Identity of *Oedaspis (Bulgaroedaspis) sophiensis* (Diptera) [Что такое *Oedaspis (Bulgaroedaspis) sophiensis* (Diptera)?]. — Pencho Drensky (Дрънски, П. Мухи отъ семейството Trypetidae (Dipt.) в България — Die Fliegen der Familie Trypetidae (Dipt.) in Bulgarien // Годишникъ на Софийския университет — Annuaire de l'Université de Sofia. — 1942–1943, 39: 69–126 [Физико-математически факултетъ. Книга 3. — (Естествена история) — Faculte physico-mathématique. — 3 (Sci. natur.): 1–58.] published an annotated checklist of Bulgarian fruit flies with identifications and illustrations based mostly on the monograph of Palaearctic fruit flies by Hendel (1927: Die Fliegen... 5). Identity of a nominal species *Oedaspis (Bulgaroedaspis) sofianus* Drensky, 1943: 95 [47] remained obscure, though this name was mentioned in all recent catalogues and checklists (Foote, R. H. 1984. Catalogue of Palaearctic Diptera, 9: 103; Norrbom, A. et al., 1999. Fruit fly expert identification system and systematic information database: 176; Merz, Korneyev, 2004. Fauna Europaea). This species name was based on 4 syntypes (sex not indicated, but the figure caption mentions a female) collected in the Botanical Garden of Sofia on 5.08.1937 (Drensky leg.). Drensky (1943: 95 [47], fig. 27) provided a picture of wing, which shows that the fly unambiguously belongs to *Myennis octopunctata* (Coquebert, 1798) (Diptera, Ulidiidae: Otitinae: Myennidini), one of the commonmost picture-winged flies in the Western Palaearctics. We therefore establish the following synonymies: *Musca octopunctata* Coquebert, 1798 (currently *Myennis octopunctata*) = *Oedaspis (Bulgaroedaspis) sofianus* Drensky, 1943, syn. n. *Myennis* = *Bulgaroedaspis* Drensky, 1943 (type species: *Oedaspis (Bulgaroedaspis) sofianus* Drensky, 1943, by monotypy) syn. n. “*Bulgaroedaspis sophianus* Drensky” in the caption of picture is considered here an incorrect subsequent spelling of *sofianus*. — **E. P. Kameneva**, **V. A. Korneyev** (Schmalhausen Institute of Zoology, NAS of Ukraine, Kyiv).

Desert Wheater *Oenanthe deserti* (Aves, Passeriformes) — the First Record in Ukraine [Пустынная каменка *Oenanthe deserti* (Aves, Passeriformes) — первая находка в Украине]. — An immature Desert Wheater female was being observed over seven minutes in the coastal part of Kilia Delta of the Danube River (the territory of the Danube Biosphere Reserve of NAS of Ukraine) on the Potapov Sand Spit, 12.11.2013. The bird was photographed. The breeding range of *Oenanthe deserti* (Temminck, 1825) includes North Africa, the Middle East, Central Asia; five subspecies of the species were allocated. The closest to Ukraine nesting sites are located in the Caspian Region (Turkmenistan and possibly Azerbaijan). Unlike more southern populations these birds perform regular migrations. Most likely the recorded bird flew from this region. It should be noted that the Desert Wheatear regularly occurred (dozens of meetings) mainly in autumn (October–November) almost throughout the Europe from Ireland and Scandinavia in the North, to Spain, Italy, Greece and Bulgaria in the South. — **M. V. Iakovliev** (Danube Biosphere Reserve of NAS of Ukraine).